AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICAITON

Kindly amend the paragraph on page 4, lines 12-14, as follows:

FIGUREs 5A, 5B, and 5B 5C depict data structure diagrams that show the format of data carried through the interconnect structure in the form of packets, including a quality of service (QOS) field.

Kindly insert a paragraph following page 8, line 26, as follows:

FIGURE 5C depicts a format of a packet 520 where the Bit field 502 and the QOS field 514 enter a node at the same time while the remaining bits of the packet, specifically the address field 506 and the payload field 508, pass through the structure serially.